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And in same section, line 23, after the word "sixty-nine," insert the following words: "For the north half of the northeast quarter of section ten, the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section two, the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section eleven, township two north, range thirty-two east of the Willamette meridian."

And at the close of said section 2 add these words: "Upon compliance with the following condition, and not otherwise: The heirs and legal representatives of the said Moses E. Goodwin, or their assigns, shall pay for the use of said Indians the value of the said lands at the time of Goodwin's settlement thereon; which value shall be determined by the persons who shall be appointed to appraise the lots and blocks by this act authorized to be laid out and appraised; and the said appraisers shall certify and return their action in this respect in the same manner and at the same time as they do their action in respect of the lands laid out into town-lots: *And provided further*, That any right heretofore acquired by the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company for right of way for a line of railway, and to lands for use and occupancy by said company for station or depot purposes, shall not be affected by this act."

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